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In re Application of: James Morrow, et al.
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Title: **WEB-BASED COLLABORATIVE DATA COLLECTION
SYSTEM**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action of June 14, 2005 Office Action, and is filed with a 3 month extension of time.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-41 are pending in the present application. In the present Office Action, claim 28 is object to due to a lack of antecedent basis for "the data collector." Further, claims 1-41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over Fernandez et al. (hereinafter "Fernandez") (U.S. Patent No. 6,604,100). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims. Claim 28 has been amended to correct a problem with antecedent basis and to further clarify the invention. No claims have been added or deleted. Applicants respectfully contend that the differences between the claimed invention and the cited references are such that the claimed invention is patentably distinct over the cited references.

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AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that any additional extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required other than what is provided for with this document. However, in the event that any further extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Brown Raysman's Deposit Account No. 502811.